## REMARKS

Claims 11-14 and 23-30 are pending in the instant application and are subject to a Restriction Requirement. Claims 11-13 and 24 have been amended, Claim 1-10, 14-23 and 25 cancelled, and new Claims 31-33 are submitted for consideration by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the instant application.

In response to the Restriction Requirement among Groups I, II and III, Applicants hereby elect with traverse to prosecute, Group I, Claims 11 and 26-30. Applicants respectfully submit that restriction between product and method claims is inappropriate since previous Office Actions, in this application, have examined method and product claims. Applicants respectfully submit that the past conduct of the Office indicates that no undue burden is place on the Office for examining the instant product and method claims.

In any event, the pending claims have been amended so that all pending claims fall within the elected Group (i.e., Group I). Applicants respectfully request issuance of a favorable Action on the merits.

Please find attached hereto a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants believe that the pending claims define patentable subject matter and respectfully request issuance of a Notice of Allowability for the instant application. Should there any fee due in connection with this application, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 15-0680 (Orscheln Management Co.). Should the Examiner deem that any further action on the part of Applicants would advance prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney.

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